

### IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This Application is related to and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/062,144 (attorney docket no. INT1P006+) filed October 9, 1997, incorporated herein by reference. This Application is also related to and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/103,814 (attorney docket no. INT1P011+) entitled METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR REMOTE SOCIAL INTERACTIONS filed October 8, 1998, incorporated herein by reference. This Application is also related to U.S. Patent Application Nos. (a) 09/169,638, now U.S. Patent No. 6,351,271 entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SENDING AND RECEIVING LIGHTWEIGHT MESSAGES filed October 9, 1998, (b) 09/169,638 (attorney docket no. INT1P020) entitled ELECTRONIC AUDIO CONNECTION SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING SAME filed October 9, 1998, and (c) 09/169,713, now U.S. Patent No. 6,282,206 entitled VARIABLE BANDWIDTH COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS AND METHODS all three being incorporated herein by reference.